

**HALSTEAD
RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL**

Annual Report

OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER of HEALTH

AND

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOR

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TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE
HALSTEAD RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

MR. CHAIRMAN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I have pleasure in presenting to you the Annual Report on the health of the District for 1962.

Vital Statistics

There were 265 live births which gives a birth rate of 19.1 compared with 18.0 for England and Wales.

The death rate of 11.1 per 1,000 of the population compares with 11.9 for England and Wales.

Infectious Diseases

There were comparatively few cases of infectious diseases notified. The Ministry of Health introduced live oral Poliomyelitis vaccine (Sabin) during the year, and by the end of the year over 17 million people in England and Wales had been protected by one or other of the Poliomyelitis vaccines. The total number of cases notified in England and Wales was 212 with 45 deaths.

The County Council introduced immunisation against Tetanus during the year. There were 41 deaths from Tetanus in England and Wales during the year and when one includes the occasional fatality and the considerable number of severe reactions from the use of anti-tetanus serum it is obvious that a scheme of active immunisation is necessary. It is to be hoped that parents will avail themselves of this opportunity as it is thought that farming communities are more likely to suffer wounds which may become infected by Tetanus.

During the year the importation of Smallpox from Pakistan caused 62 cases in England and Wales and 24 of these died. This outbreak caused a widespread demand for vaccination and even in this district a very large number were performed. It is estimated that during the period of the scare between seven and ten million people were vaccinated in England and Wales.

Mass X-Ray

The Mass Radiography Unit visited Halstead and District during 1962. 1,164 people attended for X-Ray and nine were referred to the Chest Clinic.

Diabetes Detection

A pilot survey into the prevalence of unknown cases of Diabetes Mellitus was carried out in the parishes of Sible and Castle Hedingham in conjunction with Dr. Allen and Dr. Veater. Self testing material was sent to 2,385 people and 1,570 people returned records (65.8%). Ten previously undiagnosed cases of Diabetes were discovered. The total cost was £50. It was hoped to extend this scheme to the rest of the district but the Ministry of Health's opinion, (Monthly Bulletin of Ministry of Health, February, 1963) was apparently that "This method of diagnosis has proved wasteful both in fruitless work and in cost: it has also the disadvantages of difficulties in follow up and in lack of continuity." Whether the expenditure of £5 for each previously undiagnosed case is wasteful is in my opinion doubtful. This cost per case would undoubtedly be greatly exceeded in the future in hospital costs and sickness benefit if the disease had been allowed to progress undiagnosed. Furthermore no difficulties in follow up or lack of continuity were encountered or are likely to be experienced in any properly organised scheme.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John Hardman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" written in a larger, more prominent script than the surname "Hardman".

Medical Officer of Health.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE
HALSTEAD RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

MR. CHAIRMAN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

Once again I have pleasure in presenting to you my Annual Report, the 16th, on the services provided by your Public Health Inspectors during the year 1962.

As in previous years the Report consists mainly of statistics required by various statutory provisions, but it does illustrate how environmental public health standards have been maintained and raised by the daily insistent pressure for the remedying of unsatisfactory conditions and the securing of improved ones. The year was one of steady balanced progress, and the Council services for which the Department is responsible were provided economically and efficiently, although the year's work was again affected by staff shortages and changes. Especially noteworthy events of the year were the completion and putting into operation of the Council's comprehensive district water scheme softening plant, and the provision of two further village sewerage and sewage disposal schemes at Halstead Rural (Greenstead Green) and Birdbrook (Baythorn End).

Food

Duties in connection with the inspection and supervision of food supplies again occupied a very appreciable proportion of your Public Health Inspectors' time. The standard of hygiene on the whole was satisfactory, and no serious contraventions were observed during the year. The amount of unsound food voluntarily surrendered was about average. 100% meat inspection continued to be carried out, and this involved inspections being made during evenings. Routine sampling of ice cream and ice lollies showed these commodities to be of a high bacterial standard.

Water

Routine sampling of water supplies confirmed the 4 public mains supplies and 3 private mains supplies to be satisfactory both chemically and bacteriologically and the detailed typical analyses given on page 13 are of interest.

Housing

Housing in its many aspects took priority in the work of your Public Health Inspectors. The routine repair and improvement of houses proceeded reasonably satisfactorily, and the Slum Clearance Schemes and the Improvement Grants Schemes also maintained steady progress.

It should never be forgotten that unless the normal deterioration of existing houses, appreciable numbers of which are progressively falling steadily behind modern standards on account of age and lack of repair and improvement work, is arrested by timely reconditioning work, serious slum clearance problems might arise in the not too distant future.

Early in the year the Council reviewed their overall slum clearance policy, particularly with a view to securing the more rapid vacation and demolition of unfit houses by increasing the rate of rehousing. Although there was an increase in rehousing occupants of condemned houses from 11 in 1961 to 17 in 1962, at the end of the year the number of occupied condemned houses had actually increased from 150 to 162.

Workplaces

Factories, Workplaces, Outworkers and Shops inspection duties did not receive the time and attention they merit, but no serious defects at these premises were notified by H.M. Inspector of Factories or by private complainants.

Waste Matters.

Public sewerage and sewage disposal, and public refuse collection and disposal were included in the duties of your Engineer and Surveyor. The provision of sewerage and sewage disposal schemes throughout the District in accordance with the Council's post war priority programme proceeded satisfactorily, and the two village schemes completed during the year brought the post war total up to 8.

Drainage duties closely followed housing in priority in the work of your Public Health Inspectors, and has increased considerably with the availability of mains water supplies and public sewerage facilities.

No alteration in the public cleansing service took place during the year.

Miscellaneous

Complaints and investigations of the various nuisances from smoke and dust, noise, keeping of animals and poultry, etc., were about average, as were also rodent and insect pest infestations.

Once again I am glad to be able to record how the preventive and protective day to day environmental public health work of the Department was encouraged by the continued interest, support and confidence of the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee and Council, and how this work contributes so much towards promoting healthy living, reducing sickness and lessening preventable deaths. I am grateful too for the willing and loyal assistance of my own staff and also to other Council Officers for their help and co-operation during the year.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,



Public Health Inspector.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Area (in acres)	...	...	...	...	76,637
Population (Registrar General's estimate)	...	...	...	...	16,390
Number of inhabited houses (end of 1962) according to the Rate Books	...	...	...	...	6,214
Rateable Value	...	...	...	...	£158,873
Sum represented by a penny rate	...	...	...	...	£628

Live Births:

	Total	Male	Female
Legitimate	256	135	121
Illegitimate	9	7	2
Birth rate per 1,000 of estimated population	...	..	16.4
Birth rate (corrected by comparability factor)	...	...	19.1
Birth rate per 1,000 population (England and Wales)	...	...	18.0

Still Births:

	Total	Male	Female
Legitimate	3	0	3
Illegitimate	0	0	0
Still birth rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births	...	...	11.2
Total births (live and still)	...	...	268

Infant and Maternal Mortality:

Deaths of infants under 1 year	...	...	2
Infant mortality rate per 1,000 live births	...	..	7.5
Infant mortality rate per 1,000 legitimate births	...	..	7.8
Infant mortality rate per 1,000 illegitimate births	...	...	—
Neo-natal mortality rate (first four weeks)			
per 1,000 live births	...	...	7.5
Early neo-natal mortality rate (first week)	...	...	
per 1,000 live births	...	...	7.5
Perinatal mortality rate (still births and first week)	...	...	
per 1,000 live and still births	...	...	18.7
Illegitimate live births per cent, of total live births	...	...	3.4
Maternal deaths (including abortion)	...	...	0
Maternal mortality rate per 1,000 live and still births	...	...	—

Deaths:

	Total	Male	Female
Deaths	222	102	120
Death rate per 1,000 of estimated population	...	...	13.5
Death rate (corrected by comparability factor)	...	...	11.1
Death rate per 1,000 population (England and Wales)	...	...	11.9

DEATHS FROM ALL CAUSES, 1962

Disease	Male	Female
Tuberculosis (respiratory)	0	0
Tuberculosis (other)	0	0
Syphilitic disease	0	0
Diphtheria	0	0
Whooping cough	0	0
Meningococcal infections	0	0
Acute poliomyelitis	0	0
Measles	0	0
Other infective and parasitic diseases	0	0
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	3	3
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	5	1
Malignant neoplasm, breast	1	4
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	0	3
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms ..	12	11
Leukæmia, aleukæmia	0	0
Diabetes	0	2
Vascular lesions of nervous system	12	30
Coronary disease, angina	29	16
Hypertension with heart disease	2	1
Other heart disease	8	21
Other circulatory disease	5	2
Influenza	0	0
Pneumonia	8	5
Bronchitis	4	1
Other diseases of respiratory system	2	0
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	1	1
Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhœa	1	0
Nephritis and nephrosis	0	0
Hyperplasia of prostate	0	0
Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	0	0
Congenital malformation	0	0
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	6	13
Motor vehicle accidents	0	1
All other accidents	3	3
Suicide	0	2
Homicide and operations of war	0	0
Totals ...	102	120

PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASE

Disease				Total Cases notified	Admitted to Hospital	Deaths
Diphtheria	...	...	...	0	0	0
Dysentery	...	...	...	0	0	0
Enteric Fever	...	...	...	0	0	0
Erysipelas	...	...	...	0	0	0
Food Poisoning	...	...	...	0	0	0
Infectious Hepatitis	...	...	...	0	0	0
Measles	...	...	...	44	0	0
Meningococcal Infection	...	...	...	0	0	0
Non-paralytic Poliomyelitis	...	...	...	0	0	0
Paralytic Poliomyelitis	...	...	...	0	0	0
Pneumonia	...	...	...	2	0	0
Puerperal Pyrexia	...	...	...	0	0	0
Scarlet Fever	...	...	...	4	0	0
Tuberculosis (Pulmonary)	...	...	...	2	2	0
Tuberculosis (Non-pulmonary)	...	...	...	1	1	0
Whooping Cough	...	...	...	0	0	0
Totals				54	4	0

Tuberculosis—New Cases Notified:

Age Periods	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
Under 1 year	0	0	0	0
1 and under 5 years	0	0	0	0
5 and under 10 years	0	0	0	0
10 and under 15 years	0	0	0	0
15 and under 20 years	0	0	0	0
20 and under 25 years	0	0	0	0
25 and under 35 years	0	0	0	0
35 and under 45 years	0	0	0	1
45 and under 55 years	0	1	0	0
55 and under 65 years	0	0	0	0
65 years and upwards	1	0	1	0
Totals	1	1	1	1

Transfers from other Districts: 1

Deaths from Tuberculosis: 0

1. FOOD

(a) Food Premises Inspections

Details of food premises in the District, and of inspections made by your Public Health Inspectors of the food therein, the hygiene of the processes, and the structure and cleanliness of the premises were:—

Type of Food Premises	No. in District	No. of Inspections
Bakehouses	4	7
Egg Packing and Liquid Egg Preparation Premises	2	3
Fish Fryers	2	4
Game Dealers' Premises (Licensed)	1	1
General Provision Shops	80	47
Ice Cream Premises (Registered)	68	37
Meat Products Premises (Registered)	11	15
Meat Shops	10	217
Poultry Dressing Premises	2	5
Public Houses and Inns	65	41
Restaurants and Cafes	7	15
Slaughterhouses	1	171
Street Vendors	—	8
Miscellaneous	—	9
Totals	263	584

Food premises fully surveyed	2
Food poisoning investigations	0
Informal notices served	8
Food premises improved	6
Food vehicles improved	0

No Clean Food Guilds were inaugurated or existed during the year.

Food traders were co-operative in securing the hygienic handling and storage of food. Progress in this matter is very dependent upon public opinion.

(b) Food Premises Improvements

	Structural Works	Decorations and Cleaning	Lighting and Ventilation	Cold Water Supply	Hot Water Supply	Washing Facilities	Refuse Storage Facilities	Drainage	Sanitary Accommodation	Name and Address Displayed	Wash-hand Notices Displayed	Total
Bakehouses	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Dairies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Egg & Poultry Packing Premises	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fish Shops and Fish Fryers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
General Provision Shops	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ice Cream Premises	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Meat Products Premises	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Meat Shops	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Public Houses and Inns	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	3
Restaurants and Cafes	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	5
Slaughterhouses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Food Vehicles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	1	4	0	1	1	1	0	0	3	0	0	11

(d) Unsound Food

It was not necessary to make any seizures of food. Vendors co-operated satisfactorily in reporting suspected food, which resulted in the following commodities being voluntarily surrendered:—

Beef	...	...	...	...	154lbs.
Pork	...	...	...	...	151lbs.
Mutton	...	...	...	...	2lbs.
Tinned Foods	...	...	...	...	200lbs.

Total 371lbs.

This condemned food was disposed of by burial in deep refuse pits. No special examinations of whole stocks or consignments of food were necessary during the year.

(c) Meat Inspection at Slaughterhouses

One slaughterhouse was licensed by the Council and used by two local butchers during the year. Slaughtering was carried out on three days and one evening per week.

All animals slaughtered in the District were inspected for fitness of the meat for human consumption either during or shortly after Slaughter.

Details of meat inspection carried out by your Public Health Inspectors at the Slaughterhouse are given in the following table:—

	Cattle exclud- ing Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
No. Killed	277	0	0	323	328	0
No. Inspected	277	0	0	323	328	0
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci</u>						
(a) Whole carcasses condemned ...	0	0	0	0	0	0
(b) Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned ...	10	0	0	1	4	0
(c) Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci ...	3.61	0	0	0.31	1.22	0
<u>Tuberculosis only</u>						
(a) Whole carcasses condemned ...	0	0	0	0	0	0
(b) Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned ...	0	0	0	0	1	0
(c) Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis ...	0	0	0	0	0.30	0
<u>Cysticercosis</u>						
(a) Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned ...	0	0	0	0	0	0
(b) Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration ...	0	0	0	0	0	0
(c) Generalised and totally condemned ...	0	0	0	0	0	0

Licensed Slaughtermen 6.

(e) Milk and Dairies

The Council remained responsible for the registration of dairies other than dairy farms and of distributors, and the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food for the supervision of dairy farms. Dealers' licences were granted by the Essex County Council as Food and Drugs Authority, and permitted sales outside as well as inside the area of the licensing authority.

Bacteriological milk sampling and also sampling for biological examination for tubercle bacilli and *Brucella abortus* was carried out by the Essex County Council.

The 3 registered dairy premises were all visited by your Public Health Inspectors during the year.

(f) Ice Cream

There were no premises in the District registered for the manufacture of ice cream.

Details of samples of ice cream and ice lollies taken for bacteriological examination are given in the following tables:—

Ministry of Health Provisional Grade	No. of Ice Cream Samples	Bacteriological Classification	No. of Ice Cream Samples
I	21	Excellent	17
II	1	V. Satisfactory	1
III	0	Satisfactory	2
IV	0	Fair	2
		Unsatisfactory	0
	Total 22		Total 22

Bacteriological Classification	No. of Ice Lolly Samples
Excellent	8
V. Satisfactory	6
Satisfactory	1
Fair	0
Unsatisfactory	0
	Total 15

(g) General

Only two complaints were received during the year regarding unfit food, food handlers' unhygienic practices or uncleanly food premises. There is, however, a well known marked reticence on the part of the public generally in making official complaints regarding these matters.

No prosecutions regarding food or food premises were instituted during the year.

The County Council as Food and Drugs Authority were responsible for the taking of samples for chemical analysis of food and drugs, milk, ice cream, etc., but details of such sampling were not notified to the Rural District Council.

2. WATER

The water supply of the area was satisfactory both in respect of quality and quantity, although during the summer it was necessary to restrict the use of water for gardens, washing cars, etc. The public water supplies were chlorinated and constructional work on the Council's comprehensive District Water Scheme softening plant completed and the plant brought into operation in May.

No extensions to water mains were carried out during the year but schemes for extensions in the parishes of Bulmer, Foxearth, Great Yeldham, Little Yeldham, Middleton, Pebmarsh, Pentlow and White Colne received Ministry approval and were out to tender at the end of the year.

As a routine procedure samples of the District Water Scheme supply were submitted for bacteriological laboratory examination monthly, and samples of all other mains water supplies quarterly. The District Water Scheme samples included some of the raw water direct from the borewell. Samples for chemical analysis were also taken.

During the year 88 premises were connected to the water mains and the following work was carried out by your Public Health Inspectors:—

(a) Inspections regarding water supplies	112
(b) Statutory Notices served re water supplies ...	0
(c) Informal Notices served re water supplies ...	11
(d) Wells improved following informal action ...	2
(e) Samples of water submitted for bacteriological and chemical examination. Details of these are given in the following table	52

Source	No. of Samples	Wholesome	Below Stand-ard
Public Water Mains ...	34	33	1
Private Water Mains ...	13	12	1
Public Wells, etc. ...	1	1	0
Private Wells, etc. ...	4	1	3
Totals ...	52	47	5

(f) Samples of water examined for Chlorine content 12

Public Swimming Baths

There were no public swimming baths in the District. Part of Gosfield Lake continued in use as a public bathing pool. During the bathing season 11 samples were taken for chemical analysis and bacteriological examination, which showed the water to have only comparatively slight bacterial impurity for a lake water and to be satisfactory for bathing purposes.

Typical Chemical Analyses of Public and Private Mains Water Supplies in the District, given in parts per million, are shown in the following table:

Examination For	Supply				
	Public		Private		
	Halstead R.D.C.	Clare R.D.C.	Colchester and District Water Board	Saffron Walden R.D.C. (Hempstead)	R. Hunt & Co. Ltd., Earls Colne
Turbidity	Less than 3	Less than 3	Less than 3	Less than 3	Less than 3
Colour	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Odour	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
pH	9.6	7.0	7.3	7.1	7.4
Free Carbon Dioxide	Absent	55	27	40	18
Electric Conductivity	540	925	900	595	1010
Dissolved Solids Dried at 180°C.	360	710	600	400	670
Chlorine present as Chloride	74	40	124	18	160
Alkalinity as Calcium Carbonate	40	315	290	265	250
Hardness: Total	155	550	285	325	180
Carbonate (Temporary)	40	315	285	265	180
Non-Carbonate (Permanent)	115	235	0	60	0
Nitrate Nitrogen	1.4	0.7	0.2	3.9	0.9
Nitrite Nitrogen	0.01	Absent	Absent	Absent	0.01
Ammoniacal Nitrogen	0.16	0.030	0.018	0.000	0.036
Albuminoid Nitrogen	0.000	0.020	0.000	0.000	0.000
Oxygen Absorbed	0.20	0.15	0.05	0.10	0.20
Residual Chlorine	0.20	Absent	Absent	0.07	Absent
Metals: Iron	0.10	0.16	0.22	0.10	0.06
Zinc	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
Copper, Lead,	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
Fluoride	0.6	0.1	0.6	0.1	2.1
					0.8
					0.9
					0.000
					0.000
					0.05
					Absent
					Absent
					6.0
					Absent
					Absent
					0.15

3. HOUSING

(a) Housing Inspections

(1)	Inspections regarding disrepair and sanitary defects	...	...	302
(2)	Houses fully surveyed and recorded	...	...	147
(3)	Inspections regarding reconditioning	...	...	354
(4)	Inspections regarding overcrowding	...	...	9
(5)	Inspections regarding Certificates of Disrepair	...	...	0
(6)	Inspections of camping grounds	...	...	7
(7)	Inspections of moveable dwellings	...	...	27
(8)	Miscellaneous Housing inspections	...	...	647
(9)	Investigations of applications for Council house tenancies	...	...	8

(b) Housing Notices

(1) Informal Notices served regarding disrepair and defects	...	25
(2) Statutory Notices served under Housing Act regarding disrepair and defects		0
(3) Statutory Notices served under Public Health Act, regarding disrepair and defects		0

Property owners responded satisfactorily to informal procedure requesting the repair and improvement of dwelling houses.

(c) Unfit Houses

(1)	Houses Officially Reported Unfit to Council under Housing Act	65
(2)	(a) Undertakings accepted (i) to make fit for human habitation	0
	(ii) not to use for human habitation	0
	(b) Undertakings cancelled	1
	Accumulated total of outstanding Undertakings (Dec. 1962)	
	(i) to make fit for human habitation	9
	(ii) not to use for human habitation	43
(3)	(a) Closing Orders made	13
	(b) Closing Orders determined	5
	(c) Accumulated total of outstanding Closing Orders (Dec. 1962)	62
(4)	(a) Demolition Orders made	27
	(b) Demolition Orders revoked	7
	(c) Accumulated total of outstanding Demolition Orders (Dec. 1962)	151

(d) Slum Clearance Proposals

Details of the Council's ten years (1956/65) Slum Clearance Proposals are given in the following tables which show.

- (1) the approved proposals,
- (2) the year by year progress made,
- (3) progress during 1962 in parish detail,
- (4) the present position in parish detail, and
- (5) occupation of unfit houses in parish detail.

(1)

Houses in District	Unfit Houses	Houses to be demolished during 5 year period 1956/60
5,575	587	250

(2)

Year	Houses Reported Unfit	Undertakings Accepted	Closing Orders Made	Demolition Orders Made	Houses Made Fit	Houses Demolished	Council House Rehousing
1956	40	20	0	51	7	25	12
1957	52	6	0	38	15	27	8
1958	48	3	17	23	8	36	18
1959	55	5	3	32	10	25	19
1960	60	8	26	29	12	22	21
1961	43	6	11	33	16	17	11
1962	65	0	13	27	15	29	17
Totals	363	48	70	233	83	181	106

(3)

Parish	Houses Reported Unfit	Undertakings Accepted	Closing Orders Made	Demolition Orders Made	Houses Made Fit	Houses Demolished	Council House Rehousings
Alphamstone	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Ashen	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Belchamp Otten	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Belchamp St. Paul	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Belchamp Walter	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Birdbrook	6	0	0	0	0	2	0
Borley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bulmer	2	0	0	2	0	4	3
Bures Hamlet	0	0	0	1	0	3	2
Castle Hedingham	6	0	2	0	0	0	1
Colne Engaine	2	0	0	2	2	2	0
Earls Colne	3	0	0	0	2	5	1
Foxearth	0	0	0	0	2	1	0
Gestingthorpe	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Gosfield	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Great Henny	3	0	0	3	0	0	2
Great Maplestead	0	0	0	0	0	2	1
Great Yeldham	7	0	0	6	0	0	0
Halstead Rural	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Helions Bumpstead	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lamarsh	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liston	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Little Henny	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Little Maplestead	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Little Yeldham	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Middleton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ovington	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Pebmarsh	5	0	0	3	0	1	0
Pentlow	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ridgewell	0	0	10	0	0	3	1
Sible Hedingham	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Sible Hedingham	13	0	10	0	0	0	0
Stambourne	3	0	0	2	0	0	0
Steeple Bumpstead	0	0	0	5	1	1	1
Sturmer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tilbury-juxta-Clare	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Toppesfield	2	0	0	1	0	0	0
Twinstead	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
White Colne	0	0	0	0	5	0	3
Wickham St. Paul	4	0	0	2	0	3	0
Totals:	65	0	13	27	15	29	17

(4)

Parish	Total Houses in Slum Clearance Proposals 31st December, 1955	Unfit Houses		Unfit Houses considered by Council and subject to				Unfit Houses Awaiting Consideration by Council	
		Made Fit	Demolished	Undertakings	Closing Orders	Dem. Orders	Action Pending	Category 4	Category 5
Alphamstone	3	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Ashen	17+1	4	8	1	0	2	2	1	0
Belchamp Otten	7	1	4	2	0	0	0	0	0
Belchamp St. Paul	6	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	0
Belchamp Walter	17+3	4	12	0	0	4	0	0	0
Birdbrook	18+2	1	5	0	0	1	6	5	2
Borley	5	2	0	0	0	2	0	1	0
Bulmer	21+6	4	8	2	11	2	0	0	0
Bures Hamlet	3+6	0	3	0	5	0	0	1	0
Castle Hedingham	42+3	6	9	5	2	9	4	7	3
Colne Engaine	9+1	3	4	0	0	3	0	0	0
Earls Colne	29+10	10	15	0	3	6	4	1	0
Foxearth	11+1	2	7	0	0	3	0	0	0
Gestingthorpe	26+1	0	8	1	0	6	2	10	0
Gosfield	11	6	1	0	0	0	2	5	3
Great Henny	15	4	0	1	2	3	0	3	2
Great Maplestead	11+1	1	5	0	0	5	0	1	0
Great Yeldham	28+6	2	2	5	8	8	1	6	2
Halstead Rural	14+3	1	10	1	0	0	0	4	1
Helions Bumpstead	32	4	5	2	0	15	0	3	3
Lamarsh	6+4	1	0	0	0	2	4	2	1
Liston	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Little Henny	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Little Maplestead	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Little Yeldham	13+1	0	1	2	0	1	0	7	3
Middleton	8	1	5	0	0	0	0	1	1
Ovington	5+4	1	3	2	1	2	0	0	0
Pebmarsh	15+7	2	1	2	0	11	1	5	0
Pentlow	1+9	0	0	0	8	0	1	0	1
Ridgewell	24	2	10	1	0	6	0	3	2
Sible Hedingham	47+10	4	4	4	12	19	5	4	5
Stambourne	18+1	2	0	3	2	9	1	2	0
Steeple Bumpstead	22+3	3	11	2	0	7	0	2	0
Sturmer	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tilbury-juxta-Clare	18-1	1	0	5	5	2	0	2	2
Toppesfield	34	6	9	0	1	13	2	2	1
Twinstead	10+4	0	4	4	2	3	0	1	0
White Colne	12+5	6	8	0	0	2	0	1	0
Wickham St. Paul	25+5	1	14	7	0	3	1	4	0
Totals:	587+96	83	181	52	62	151	36	86	32

Note—

Category 4—"Houses unfit for human habitation and beyond repair at reasonable cost, but appropriate for reconditioning."

Category 5—"Houses unfit for human habitation and beyond repair at reasonable cost, and appropriate for demolition."

Parish	Occupied Houses subject to				Vacant Houses subject to				Total Houses	
	Undertakings	Closing Orders	Demolition Orders	Action Pending	Undertakings	Closing Orders	Demolition Orders	Action Pending	Occupied	Vacant
Alphamstone	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
Ashen	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	2	3
Belchamp Otten	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Belchamp St. Paul	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Belchamp Walter	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	1	3
Birdbrook	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	7	0
Borley	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Bulmer	0	9	0	0	2	2	2	0	9	6
Bures Hamlet	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0
Castle Hedingham	1	2	3	4	4	0	6	0	10	10
Colne Engaine	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	2
Earls Colne	0	3	4	4	0	0	2	0	11	2
Foxearth	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	2
Gestingthorpe	1	0	5	0	0	0	1	2	6	3
Gosfield	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0
Great Henny	0	2	3	0	1	0	0	0	5	1
Great Maplestead	0	0	1	0	0	0	4	0	1	4
Great Yeldham	1	5	4	1	4	3	4	0	11	11
Halstead Rural	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Helions Bumpstead	1	0	8	0	1	0	7	0	9	8
Lamarsh	0	0	2	4	0	0	0	0	6	0
Liston	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Little Henny	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Little Maplestead	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Little Yeldham	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	1
Middleton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ovington	0	0	1	0	2	1	1	0	1	4
Pebmarsh	0	0	3	1	2	0	8	0	4	10
Pentlow	0	3	0	1	0	5	0	0	4	5
Ridgewell	0	0	2	0	1	0	4	0	2	5
Sible Hedingham	0	0	5	5	3	2	9	0	26	14
Stambourne	1	10	10	0	3	1	3	1	7	8
St. Bumpstead	0	1	6	0	3	1	3	0	2	7
Sturmer	0	0	2	0	2	0	5	0	0	0
Tilbury-Juxta-Clare	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Toppesfield	1	4	0	0	4	1	2	0	5	7
Twinstead	0	1	0	1	0	0	5	1	10	6
White Colne	0	1	8	0	0	1	3	0	3	6
Wickham St. Paul	2	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	2
	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	8	3
Totals:	14	46	70	32	38	16	81	4	162	139
Total Houses Owner/Occupied	8	10	20	9	0	0	0	0	47	0

(c) Housing Improvements

(1) Houses reconditioned or repaired following informal action by Public Health Inspectors	167
(2) Houses fully reconditioned to the "Twelve Points Standard"	62
(3) Houses repaired following Statutory Housing Act Notices ...	0
(4) Houses repaired following Statutory Public Health Act Notices	0
(5) Houses reconditioned following Statutory Housing Act Orders	15
(6) Houses demolished following Statutory Demolition Orders under Housing Act	29

(f) Housing Improvement Grants

(1) Applications for Discretionary Improvement Grants	31
(2) Discretionary Improvement Grants approved (for £9,677) ...	30
(3) Schemes completed	33

Details regarding Discretionary Improvement Grants are given in the following tables:—

Year	Applications			Completions	
	Received	Approved	Grant Approved	No.	Grant Paid
1949	1	0	—	—	—
1950	9	0	—	—	—
1951	1	0	—	—	—
1952	0	0	—	—	—
1953	7	2	£400 0. 0d.	1	£200 0. 0d.
1954	19	18	£4,093 10. 0d.	4	£740 0. 0d.
1955	49	48	£11,113 0. 0d.	20	£5,726 10. 0d.
1956	49	48	£13,322 0. 0d.	38	£7,746 0. 0d.
1957	46	46	£12,414 0. 0d.	40	£10,868 0. 0d.
1958	36	34	£9,560 0. 0d.	45	£12,174 0. 0d.
1959	50	50	£13,716 0. 0d.	32	£8,661 0. 0d.
1960	24	23	£7,503 0. 0d.	43	£12,233 0. 0d.
1961	42	42	£13,567 0. 0d.	24	£8,237 0. 0d.
1962	31	30	£9,677 0. 0d.	33	£10,534 0. 0d.
Totals	364	341	£95,365 10. 0d.	280	£77,119 10. 0d.

Year	Houses Occupied by			Total
	Agricultural Workers	Other Tenants	Owners	
1949 to 1953	1	1	0	2
1954	9	6	3	18
1955	16	24	8	48
1956	21	11	16	48
1957	27	11	8	46
1958	20	6	8	34
1959	23	12	15	50
1960	6	5	12	23
1961	29	8	14	42
1962	12	6	12	30
Totals:	155	90	96	341

(4) Applications for Standard Grants	...	...	...	...	7
(5) Standard Grants approved (for maximum of £1,045)	...	...	...	...	7
(6) Schemes completed	...	...	...	...	17

Details regarding Standard Grants are given in the following tables:—

Year	Applications			Completions		
	Received	Approved	Maximum Grant Approved	No.	Amount of Standard Grant	
					Maximum Approved	Actual Paid
1959	15	15	£1,855	—	—	—
1960	43	43	£5,920	14	£1,725	£1,563 14. 0.
1961	25	25	£3,570	24	£2,990	£2,679 13. 7.
1962	7	7	£1,045	17	£2,480	£2,378 11. 1
Totals	90	90	£12,390	55	£7,195	£6,621 18. 8.

Year	Houses Occupied by			Total
	Agricultural Workers	Other Tenants	Owners	
1959	0	4	11	15
1960	18	5	20	43
1961	8	3	14	25
1962	2	0	5	7
Totals:	28	12	50	90

Parish distribution of Discretionary Improvement Grants, Standard Grants and Financial Loans for repairing or improving houses, is given in the following table:—

Parish	Discretionary Improvement Grants	Standard Grants	Repair/ Improvement Loans	Total
Alphamstone ...	1	2	0	3
Ashen ...	7	1	0	8
Belchamp Otten ...	6	3	1	10
Belchamp St. Paul ...	13	2	0	15
Belchamp Walter ...	10	3	0	13
Birdbrook ...	6	3	0	9
Borley ...	1	1	0	2
Bulmer ...	2	11	0	13
Bures Hamlet ...	3	5	0	8
Castle Hedingham ...	11	3	0	14
Colne Engaine ...	27	2	9	38
Earls Colne ...	39	6	0	45
Foxearth ...	9	2	1	12
Gestingthorpe ...	7	1	1	9
Gosfield ...	26	4	0	30
Great Henny ...	3	0	1	4
Great Maplestead ...	8	0	0	8
Great Yeldham ...	12	6	0	18
Halstead Rural ...	43	8	0	51
Helions Bumpstead ...	12	1	0	13
Lamarsh ...	1	1	0	2
Liston ...	0	0	0	0
Little Henny ...	1	0	0	1
Little Maplestead ...	4	1	0	5
Little Yeldham ...	4	0	0	4
Middleton ...	1	1	0	2
Ovington ...	3	3	0	6
Pebmarsh ...	7	0	0	7
Pentlow ...	1	0	0	1
Ridgewell ...	2	2	1	5
Sible Hedingham ...	29	7	3	39
Stambourne ...	4	0	0	4
Steeple Bumpstead ...	13	5	0	18
Sturmer ...	3	2	0	5
Tilbury-juxta-Clare ...	3	0	0	3
Toppesfield ...	6	2	1	9
Twinstead ...	2	0	1	3
White Colne ...	10	0	0	10
Wickham St. Paul ...	1	2	0	3
Totals:	341	90	19	450

(g) **Rent Act**

(1) Applications for Certificates of Disrepair	...	...	0
(2) Decisions to issue Certificates	...	...	0
(3) Undertakings given by Landlords	...	...	0
(4) Certificates of Disrepair issued	...	...	0
(5) Applications for cancellation of Certificates of Disrepair	...	...	0
(6) Objections by tenants to cancellation of Certificates of Disrepair	...	...	0
(7) Certificates of Disrepair cancelled	...	...	0

(h) **Housing Overcrowding**

(1) Overcrowded houses existing December, 1961	...	...	1
(2) Overcrowded houses found during 1962	...	...	1
(3) Overcrowded houses relieved during 1962	...	...	0
(4) Overcrowded houses existing December, 1962	...	...	2
(5) Informal Notices served regarding abatement of overcrowding	...	...	2

(i) **Caravan Sites**

At the end of the year one caravan site licence for 58 caravans had been granted and there were 29 individual caravan sites in use in the District. Most were used as permanent residences, and it should be appreciated that however modern and well designed touring caravans may be, they are unsatisfactory substitutes for proper houses.

4. WORKPLACES

(a) **Inspections and Notices**

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written notices	Occupiers prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	7	3	0	0
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	50	26	1	0
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	—	6	0	0
Totals	57	35	1	0

(b) Defects Found and Remedied

Particulars	No. of cases in which defects were				No. of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector.	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	0	0	0	0	0
Overcrowding (S.2.) ...	0	0	0	0	0
Unreasonable temperature (S.3.)	0	0	0	0	0
Inadequate ventilation (S.4.)	0	0	0	0	0
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6.)	0	0	0	0	0
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7.)					
(a) Insufficient ...	0	0	0	0	0
(b) Unsuitable or defective ...	1	0	0	0	0
(c) Not separate for sexes ...	0	0	0	0	0
Other offences against the Act 'not including offences relating to Outwork) ...	0	0	0	0	0
Totals ...	1	0	0	0	0

(c) Outworkers

Nature of Outwork	Section 133			Section 134			Inspections
	No. of out-workers in August list required by Sec. 133 (1) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions	
Wearing apparel—Making, etc. ...	6	0	0	0	0	0	12

(d) Miscellaneous

Premises	No. in district	Inspections
Places of Entertainment ...	49	15
Shops ...	123	317
Schools ...	23	4

Certificates of Exemption granted (shops) ... 0

Certificates of Exemption (shops) in operation ... 0

5. WASTE MATTERS

(a) Sewerage and Sewage Disposal

Public Sewerage and Sewage Disposal was part of the duties of your Engineer and Surveyor.

Comprehensive sewerage and sewage disposal schemes served 9 Parishes (Birdbrook (Baythorn End), Bures Hamlet, Castle Hedingham, Earls Colne, Gosfield, Great Yeldham, Halstead Rural (Greenstead Green), Sible Hedingham and Steeple Bumpstead). 2 Parishes (Colne Engaine and Foxearth) had public sewerage facilities which were inadequate. In addition 7 small private sewers and sewage disposal works served parts of the parishes of Earls Colne, Gestingthorpe, Great Maplestead, Helions Bumpstead, Little Yeldham, Sible Hedingham and Wickham St. Paul.

The sewerage and sewage disposal scheme for Halstead Rural (Greenstead Green) was completed and available to receive connections from September, and that for Birdbrook (Baythorn End) from December. At the end of the year properties connected to the new sewers completed during 1961 and 1962, expressed as a percentage of properties capable of connection, were Birdbrook (Baythorn End) 16%, Castle Hedingham 97%, Gosfield 98%, Great Yeldham 69% Halstead Rural (Greenstead Green) 48%, and Sible Hedingham 64%. Constructional work on new schemes for Pebmarsh and Toppesfield was almost finished and these were expected to be available for connections early in 1963.

At the end of the year a tender had been accepted for the scheme for Colne Engaine, and the scheme for Ridgewell was awaiting Ministry approval in principle. Schemes for Belchamp St. Paul, Foxearth, Sturmer and extensions to Gosfield were in course of preparation by the Council's Consulting Engineers.

The parishes of Belchamp Walter, Birdbrook (The Street), Bulmer (The Street), Helions Bumpstead, and improvements at Earls Colne and Steeple Bumpstead had been given priority regarding their need for sewerage and sewage disposal schemes in the near future, and schemes were also under consideration for Ashen, Gestingthorpe and Great Maplestead.

18 inspections were made by your Public Health Inspectors of public sewers and sewer ditches following complaints, and certain unsatisfactory conditions such as blockages, need of cleansing, etc., were remedied.

(b) Drainage

Drainage was part of the duties of your Public Health Inspector. Due to the recent availability of mains water supply and public sewerage facilities, with the consequent desire for modern sanitary fittings in houses and other premises, these duties once again increased considerably and now form quite an appreciable proportion of the Department's work.

There was no scheme for emptying cesspools or sewage tanks in the District (except at Council houses), and householders made their own arrangements with private contractors.

(i) Drainage Duties

1. Plans examined regarding drainage proposals	293
2. Drainage investigations and advisory visits	217
3. Drainage Inspections	753
4. Inspection of ditches, etc.	31
5. Drainage tests	256
6. Informal notices served	65
7. Statutory notices served	0

(ii) Drainage Improvements

As a result of informal action by Public Health Inspectors, the following improvements were effected:—

1. Premises drained to sewers	109
2. Premises drained to septic tanks	39
3. Drains reconstructed	28
4. Drains cleansed	6
5. Ditches cleansed	1

(c) Sanitary Fittings

There is a need in the District for the conversion of earth closets into water closets, and for the provision of sinks and baths to dwellings.

As a result of informal action by Public Health Inspectors the following improvements were effected:—

1. New sanitary conveniences provided	120
2. Sinks provided	92
3. Baths provided	77
4. 'Wash-hand basins provided	104
5. Sanitary conveniences reconstructed	2
6. Privy conversions	0

(d) Refuse Storage and Disposal

Public cleansing was part of the duties of your Engineer and Surveyor. The Council possessed 3 refuse collecting vehicles which removed house refuse at fortnightly intervals. Refuse was disposed of on refuse dumps at Birdbrook, Great Yeldham, Sible Hedingham and White Colne.

Eight inspections of refuse tips, and 17 inspections regarding refuse accumulations were made. One informal notice was served regarding a refuse accumulation, and six regarding provision of dustbins.

As a result of informal action by Public Health Inspectors two accumulations of refuse were removed and two dustbins provided.

6. PESTS

(a) Insect Pests

The District continued to be comparatively free from insect pest infestation. No premises were found with bed bug infestations. A total of 34 inspections were made by Public Health Inspectors regarding insect pests, and 13 premises were disinfested of ants, carpet beetles, fleas, flies, wasps, etc.

(b) Rodent Control

The Council operated a rat and mouse disinfestation service for occupiers of private and business premises on a basis of repayment of the cost of time, transport and materials. Poison bait was also issued free to private householders.

There was no unduly high incidence of rat and mouse infestations in the District. The Council's public sewers, sewage disposal works, refuse dumps, etc., were rat disinfested as a routine measure in accordance with the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food requirements.

Details of Rodent Control work carried out by your Public Health Inspectors and part-time Rodent Operator during the year were:—

		Type of Property				
		Non-Agricultural				Agricultural
		¹ Local Authority	² Dwelling Houses Inc. Council Houses	³ All other (Inc. Business Premises)	⁴ Total of Cols. (1) (2) & (3)	
I.	Number of properties in Local Authority's District	22	5,735	633	6,390	450
II.	Total number of properties inspected as a result of notification	0	15	8	23	0
	Number of such properties found to be infested by:—					
	Common rat Major	0	1	0	1	0
	Minor	0	11	7	18	0
	Ship rat Major	0	0	0	0	0
	Minor	0	0	0	0	0
	House mouse Major	0	0	0	0	0
	Minor	0	3	1	4	0
III.	Total number of properties inspected in the course of survey under the Act	22	196	9	227	0
	Number of such properties found to be infested by:—					
	Common rat Major	3	0	0	3	0
	Minor	10	23	0	33	0
	Ship rat Major	0	0	0	0	0
	Minor	0	0	0	0	0
	House mouse Major	0	0	0	0	0
	Minor	0	0	0	0	0

IV. Total number of properties otherwise inspected (e.g. when visited primarily for some other purpose)	0	208	120	328	23
Number of such properties found to be infested by:—					
Common rat Major	0	0	0	0	1
Minor	0	15	2	17	4
Ship rat Major	0	0	0	0	0
Minor	0	0	0	0	0
House mouse Major	0	0	0	0	0
Minor	0	0	0	0	0
V. Total inspections carried out—including re-inspections	84	452	174	710	36
VI. Number of infested properties (in Sections II, III & IV) treated by the L.A. ...	13	15	8	36	0
VII. Total treatments carried out — including re-treatments.	21	16	12	49	0
VIII. Number of notices served under Section 4 of the Act:					
(a) Treatment ...	0	4	0	4	3
(b) Structural Work (i.e., Proofing)	0	0	0	0	0
IX. Number of cases in which default action was taken following the issue of a notice under Sect. 4 of the Act ...	0	0	0	0	0
X. Legal Proceedings	0	0	0	0	0
XI. Number of "Block" control schemes carried out ...					
One, in respect of 4 houses					

Major infestations — 20 to 100 rats.

Minor infestations — 1 to 20 rats.

7. MISCELLANEOUS

The following miscellaneous duties were also carried out by your Public Health Inspectors during the year:—

(a) Smoke and dust nuisances					
(i) investigations	...	...	...	...	8
(ii) confirmed	...	...	...	...	2
(iii) abated	...	...	...	...	2
(b) Noise nuisances					
(i) investigations	...	...	...	...	2
(ii) confirmed	...	...	...	...	0
(iii) abated	...	...	...	...	0
(c) Keeping of animals and poultry nuisances					
(i) investigations	...	...	...	...	5
(ii) confirmed	...	...	...	...	1
(iii) abated	...	...	...	...	1
(d) Notifiable diseases					
(i) investigations	...	...	...	...	0
(ii) premises disinfected		...	...	...	0
(e) Pet Shops					
(i) licences granted	...	...	...	...	0
(ii) inspections	...	...	...	...	0
(f) Rag Flock Stores					
(i) licences granted	...	...	...	...	0
(ii) inspections	...	...	...	...	0
(g) Waste Foods Boiling premises					
(i) licences granted	...	...	...	...	0
(ii) inspections	...	...	...	...	0
(h) No special reports were submitted to the Council by the Public Health Inspector during the year.					
(i) Miscellaneous housing matters.					
There were no registered Common Lodging Houses nor unsatisfactory Houses in Multiple Occupation in the District.					
(j) Reports to Clerk of Council on public health aspects of Official Searches in the Local Land Charges register					406
(k) Plans deposited under Building Byelaws examined ...					293
(l) Several students (Public Health workers, Teachers etc.) were conducted on inspection visits of places of public health interest throughout the District.					

